

Application No. 10/026,823
Amendment dated November 13, 2007
After Final Office Action of August 27, 2007

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REMARKS

Claims 1-6 and 10-19 are pending in this application, of which claims 1-2, 12, 16 and 18-19 have been amended. No new claims have been amended.

The Examiner has maintained from the previous Office Action the 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraph rejections of claims 1-6 and 10-19.

The Examiner has acknowledged that the features of the conditions-designating processing unit were "well-presented" in the Remarks of the response filed May 8, 2007, but are not clarified in the claims.

First, claims 16-18 are directed to a method which does not recite a conditions-designating processing unit, and claim 19 is directed to a computer-readable recording medium having a program comprising steps which do not recite a conditions-designating processing unit.

Second, as noted in #3 on page 13 of the previous response:

The conditions-designating processing unit generates a conditions-designating screen for displaying the requirements and the types of resin and dye or pigment specified for the user, and transmits the conditions-designating screen to the user terminal so that the user can select conditions data from a range specified by the requirements and the types of resin and dye or pigment displayed on the conditions-designating screen.

Thus, the conditions data displayed on the conditions-designating screen includes use information specified for the user, where the use information is already defined in claim 1, for example as "including requirements relating to items to be colored predetermined in correlation with user ID, and types of resin and dye or pigment which can be used in dependence upon the requirements."

Accordingly, claims 1, 12, 16, 18 and 19 have been amended to clarify this feature.

Regarding the alleged "lack of enablement", Applicants' attorney conducted a telephone interview with the Examiner on November 9, 2007 to discuss claim amendments which would properly limit the claims.

Accordingly, claims 1, 12, 16 and 18-19 have been so amended.

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Thus, the 35 U.S.C. §102, first and second paragraph rejection should be withdrawn.

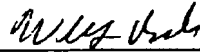
The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-6 and 10-19 would be allowed if amended to overcome the 35 U.S.C. §112, first and second paragraph rejections.

Accordingly, a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

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